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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Joe M. Davis of Joliet, who passed away on November 19, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Davis was born to Mack C. Davis and Eva M. Davis in Cairo on September 29, 1940; during his childhood, he sang in his church's choir/male chorus and was a cheerful greeter; he graduated from Lockport Township High School (Porters), where he was an outstanding basketball player; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Davis was employed as a supervisor at Quantum Chemical Corp. for many years; he was a skilled barber in the Joliet area for over 50 years and also worked as a carpenter and as a mechanic; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Davis formerly belonged to the Beacon Club of Joliet and Stone City Lodge #35 PHA; he was also an Associate Member of the National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Davis was awarded a Proclamation from the City of Joliet for his bravery in saving a young girl from being attacked by a vicious dog; he also received a Lifetime Member Award from the NAACP; and

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1 WHEREAS, Joe Davis had a passion for cooking and for
2 keeping his yard manicured with beautiful flowers; and

3 WHEREAS, Joe Davis was preceded in death by his parents,
4 Mack C. Davis and Eva M. Davis; his maternal and paternal
5 grandparents; his sister, Joyce M. Davis; his granddaughter,
6 Justinnai M. Davis; and his three nephews, Steven Davis,
7 Clarence West Jr., and Damion Davis; and

8 WHEREAS, Joe Davis is survived by his two sons, Brian Davis
9 and Justin (Jamece) Davis; his two daughters, Cynthia (William)
10 Bailey and Eunice Dzukey; his two sisters, Alice M. (the late
11 Clarence) West, and Barbara J. (the late Ray) Williams; his two
12 brothers, Robert (Carolyn) Davis and Ronald (Kristen) Davis;
13 his six grandchildren; his four great grandchildren; his
14 special niece, Jodie; his special cousin, Rev. Claude (Petrula)
15 Shelby, his special lifelong friends, Early Deloach, Leroy
16 Stevens, and Gregory Warren; and his numerous nieces, nephews,
17 and cousins; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
20 Joe M. Davis and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
21 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Joe Davis as an expression of our
2 deepest sympathy.